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CHAPTER 303.

AN ACT to provide clerks of county courts.

The people of the state of Wisconsin, represented in senate and assembly, do enact as follows:

SECTION 1. In every county within this state, county judge the county judge thereof, if he deems it advis- may appoint a able may appoint from time to time, subject to probate. removal, a competent person, to act as clerk of the county court of such county, and the person so appointed shall be officially styled and known as "register in probate." Such register in probate shall before entering on the duties of his office take and subscribe the constitutional oath of office and file the same in the office of the clerk of the circuit court for such county.

SECTION 2. It shall be the duty of such regis- Duties of the ter to perform such duties as he is directed to probate. by said county judge, and whenever said county judge shall be absent from the county seat, or is otherwise disabled, and any application shall be made to the county court, requiring notice of hearing to be given by the court, the register in probate may cause such notice to be given, and an order directing such notice shall be signed as follows:

"By the Court:

Register in Probate."

And the notice given accordingly, when so signed by the register in probate, shall have the same force and effect as if signed by the county judge.

SECTION 3. The appointment of such register Appointment in probate may at any time, in the discretion may be revoked of the county judge be revoked and annulled, and whenever from any cause a vacancy shall exist in said office of register in probate, such

vacancy may be filled by appointment by such county judge.

Salary to be fixed by the county board.

SECTION 4. The county board of any county, in which a register in probate may be appointed, in which the salary of said register is not now fixed by law, is hereby authorized in its discretion from time to time to fix the salary of such register in probate, and appropriate a sufficient sum of money annually to pay the compensation so fixed, and in counties where no appropriation is made by the county board, the services of such register in probate shall be paid for by the county judge. This act shall not apply to counties having registers of probate appointed or elected under a special law.

SECTION 5. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage and publication.

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CHAPTER 304.

AN ACT to amend section 46, chapter 288, of the laws of 1893, entitled, "An act to consolidate and revise the statutes of the state relating to general elections, the conduct, canvass and returns of the same, and to secure the secrecy and purity of the ballot, and for other purposes."

The people of the state of Wisconsin, represented in senate and assembly, do enact as follows:

Assistance rendered disabled voter to prepare his ballot. SECTION 1. Section 46, of chapter 288, laws of 1893, is hereby amended so as to read as follows: Any voter who declares to the presiding election officer that he is a voter and cannot read or write or that by physical disability